

Missouri Attorney General's Opinions - 2018

Opinion	Date	Topic	Summary
1-2018	Jan 5	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed amendment to Article I, Section 29 of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2018-305).
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5-2018	Jan 5	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed amendment to Article I, Section 8 of the Missouri Constitution, version 5 (2018-309).
6-2018	Jan 5	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed amendment to Article I, Section 29 of the Missouri Constitution, version 6 (2018-310).
7-2018	Jan 5	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas amending Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (18-313).
8-2018	Jan 5	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas amending Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (18-314).
9-2018	Jan 5	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas amending Article VI of the Missouri Constitution (18-315).
10-2018	Jan 5	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas amending Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (18-

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11-2018	Jan 12	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas amending Article V of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (18-317).
12-2018	Jan 12	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas amending Article V of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (18-318).
13-2018	Jan 12	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown to amend Chapter 47, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-330).
14-2018	Jan 12	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed amendment to Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2018-313).
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18-2018	Jan 18	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution (2018-331).
19-2018	Jan 18	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs amending Article IV of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (18-322).
20-2018	Jan 18	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs amending Article IV of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (18-323).
21-2018	Jan 18	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs amending Chapter 142, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 1 (18-324).
22-2018	Jan 18	INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs

		INITIATIVES.	amending Chapter 142, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 2 (18-325).
23-2018	Jan 18	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs amending Chapter 142, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 3 (18-326).
24-2018	Jan 18	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs amending Article IV of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (18-327).
25-2018	Jan 18	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs amending Article IV of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (18-328).
26-2018	Jan 19	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed amendment to Article V of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2018-317).
27-2018	Jan 19	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed amendment to Article V of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2018-318).
28-2018	Jan 19	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution (2018-332).
29-2018	Jan 19	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Article IV, Section 30 of the Missouri Constitution (2018-333).
30-2018	Jan 19	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Article IV, Section 48 of the Missouri Constitution (2018-334).
31-2018	Jan 19	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution (2018-335).
32-2018	Jan 26	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Article V of the Missouri Constitution (2018-336).
33-2018	Jan 26	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 1 (2018-337).
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37-2018	Jan 26	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 5 (2018-341).
38-2018	Jan 26	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 6 (2018-342).
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46-2018	Jan 26	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution (2018-343).
47-2018	Jan 26	INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend the Revised Statutes of Missouri

		INITIATIVES.	(2018-344).
48-2018	Jan 26	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend the Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-345).
49-2018	Jan 26	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend the Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-346).
50-2018	Jan 26	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown to amend Chapter 506, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-347).
51-2018	Feb 9	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed amending Article I of the Missouri Constitution (18-332).
52-2018	Feb 9	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed amending Article IV, Section 48 of the Missouri Constitution (18-334).
53-2018	Feb 9	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 1 (2018-348).
54-2018	Feb 9	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 2 (2018-349).
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56-2018	Feb 15	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed amending Article V of the Missouri Constitution (18-336).
57-2018	Feb 16	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed regarding a proposed amendment to Article I of the Missouri Constitution (2018-332).
58-2018	Feb 16	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed regarding a proposed amendment to Article IV, Section 48 of the Missouri Constitution (2018-334).
59-2018	Feb 16	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by James Owen to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 1 (2018-351).

60-2018	Feb 16	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by James Owen to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 2 (2018-352).
61-2018	Feb 16	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by James Owen to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 3 (2018-353).
62-2018	Feb 23	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed regarding a proposed amendment to Article V of the Missouri Constitution (2018-336).
63-2018	Feb 23	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Matthew Patterson to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 1 (2018-354).
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65-2018	Feb 23	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Matthew Patterson to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 3 (2018-356).
66-2018	Feb 26	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a revised fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs amending Article IV of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (18-327).
67-2018	Feb 26	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a revised fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs amending Article IV of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (18-328).
68-2018	Mar 9	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution (2018-357).
69-2018	Mar 9	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution (2018-358).
70-2018	Mar 9	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by James Owen to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 2 (2018-359).
71-2018	Mar 9	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by James Owen to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 3 (2018-360).

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73-2018	Mar 22	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown to amend Chapter 178, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-362).
74-2018	Mar 22	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Ted Melton to amend Chapter 196, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-363).
75-2018	Mar 22	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown to amend Chapter 321, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-364).
76-2018	Mar 22	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown (2018-365).
77-2018	Mar 22	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown to amend Chapter 115, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-366).
78-2018	Mar 22	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Chapter 250, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-367).
79-2018	Mar 22	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Chapter 441, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-368).
80-2018	Mar 30	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Brian Hagg to amend Chapter 116, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-369).
81-2018	Mar 30	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Brian Hagg to amend Chapter Chapter 173, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2018-370).
82-2018	Mar 30	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by James Owens amending Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri (18-359).
83-2018	Mar 30	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by James Owen amending Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri (18-360).
84-2018	Mar 30	INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by James Owen

		INITIATIVES.	amending Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri (18-361).
85-2018	Mar 30	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Charnita Walker to amend Chapter Chapter 558, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-371).
86-2018	Apr 6	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by James Owen regarding a proposed amendment to Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 2 (2018-359).
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89-2018	June 1	FAIR BALLOT LANGUAGE. INITIATIVE PETITION.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Lowell Peterson amending Chapter 192, 263, 311, Revised Statutes of Missouri, relating to Legalization of Marijuana, (2018-271).
90-2018	June 1	FAIR BALLOT LANGUAGE. INITIATIVE PETITION.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Richard Von Glahn amending Chapter 290, Revised Statutes of Missouri, relating to Minimum Wage, version 9 (2018-204).
91-2018	June 1	FAIR BALLOT LANGUAGE. INITIATIVE PETITION.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Sheila Dundon amending Article XVI of the Missouri Constitution relating to Legalization of Marijuana, version 1 (2018-051).
92-2018	June 1	FAIR BALLOT LANGUAGE. INITIATIVE PETITION.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Sean Soendker amending Article III of the Missouri Constitution relating to General Assembly (2018-051).
93-2018	June 1	FAIR BALLOT LANGUAGE. INITIATIVE PETITION.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Bradley Bradshaw amending Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution relating to Legalization of Marijuana (2018-041).
94-2018	June 25	FAIR BALLOT LANGUAGE. JOINT RESOLUTIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language prepared for Senate Substitute No.2 for House Bill No. 1460.
95-2018	June 25	FAIR BALLOT	Review and approval of the legal content and form of the proposed fair

		LANGUAGE. JOINT RESOLUTIONS.	ballot language prepared for House Joint Resolution No. 59.
96-2018	June 25	SUMMARY STATEMENT. JOINT RESOLUTIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of the proposed summary statement prepared for House Joint Resolution No. 59.
97-2018	June 25	HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for House Joint Resolution No. 59.
98-2018	Nov 21	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson to amend Chapter 147, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-001).
99-2018	Nov 21	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson to amend Chapter 147, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-002).
100-2018	Nov 29	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson to amend Chapter Article III, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version (2020-004).
101-2018	Nov 29	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown to amend Chapter 67, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-005).
102-2018	Nov 29	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson to amend Article III, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-006).
103-2018	Nov 29	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Carlton McRoberts to amend Miranda Rights, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-007).
104-2018	Dec 13	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson to amend Chapter 147, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-008).
105-2018	Dec 13	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson to amend Chapter 208, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-009).
106-2018	Dec 14	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-011).
107-2018	Dec 17	INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Michael Louis to amend Article I, Version 1 of the Missouri

		INITIATIVES.	Constitution, (2020-012).
108-2018	Dec 17	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Michael Louis to amend Article I, Version 2 of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-013).
109-2018	Dec 17	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Michael Louis to amend Article I, Version 3 of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-014).
110-2018	Dec 17	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Michael Louis to amend Article I, Version 4 of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-015).
111-2018	Dec 21	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown to amend Chapter 590, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-016).
112-2018	Dec 27	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-018).
113-2018	Dec 31	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Michael Louis amending Article I of the Missouri Constitution, (20-012).
114-2018	Dec 31	INITIATIVE PETITIONS. INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Michael Louis amending Article I of the Missouri Constitution, (20-013).
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OPINION LETTER NO. 1-2018

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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 28, 2017, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article I, Section 29 of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2018-305). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

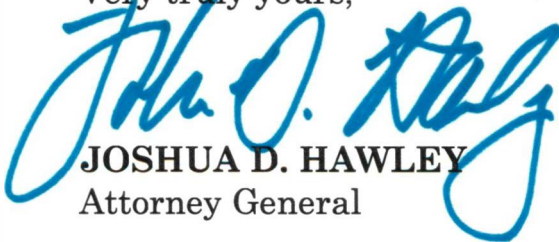
Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that every employee shall have the freedom to work without being forced to pay any fees to a union (labor organization) or join a union in order to get or keep a job?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

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Very truly yours,



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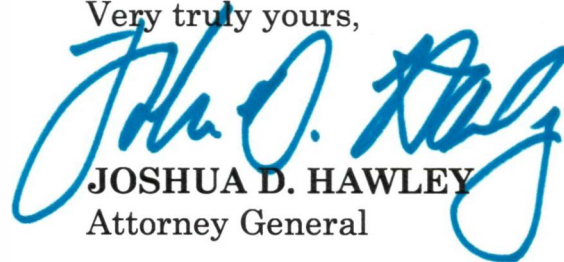
Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that the freedom of speech protects every worker from being forced to join a union (labor organization) or pay a fee to a union in order to gain or keep a job?

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joshua D. Hawley", is written over the typed name and title. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joshua" being the most prominent part of the script.

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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 28, 2017, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article I, Section 8 of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2018-307). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

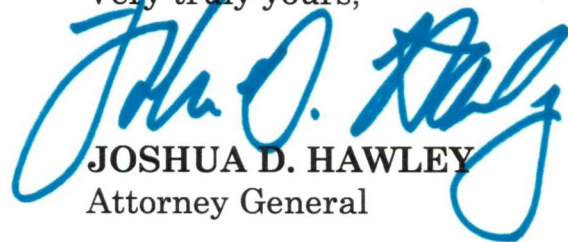
Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that the freedom of speech protects the right of every worker to keep or find a job without being forced, as a condition, to pay any fee to a union (labor organization) or join a union?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

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as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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January 5, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 4-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 28, 2017, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article I, Section 8 of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2018-308). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

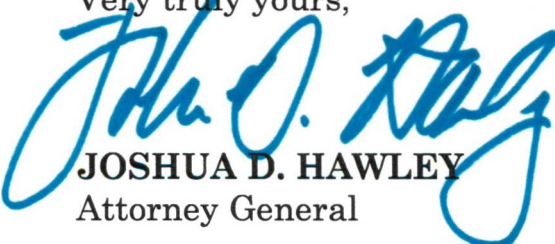
Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that every worker shall be free to keep or find a job without being forced, as a condition, to pay any fee to a union (labor organization) or join a union?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

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January 5, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 5-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 28, 2017, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article I, Section 8 of the Missouri Constitution, version 5 (2018-309). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

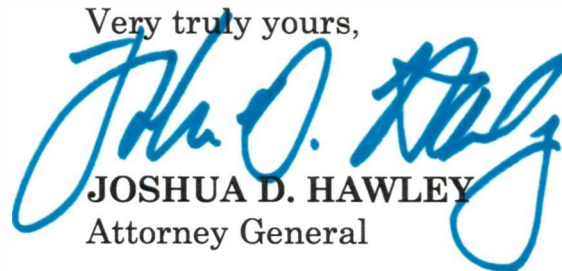
Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that no person can be forced to pay any fee to a union (labor organization) or join a union in order to gain or keep a job?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

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as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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OPINION LETTER NO. 6-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 28, 2017, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article I, Section 29 of the Missouri Constitution, version 6 (2018-310). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

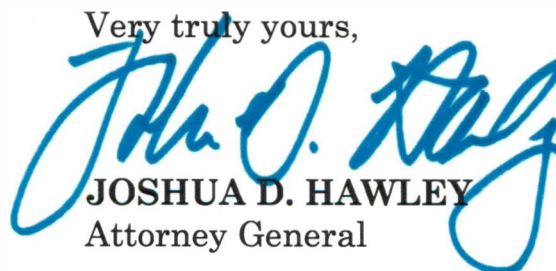
Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that employees shall have the freedom to get jobs and keep their jobs without being forced to pay any fees to a union (labor organization) or join a union?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

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Very truly yours,

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January 5, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 7-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101


Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of December 28, 2017, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas, version 1 (18-313). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities estimate initial and one-time costs of \$470,000 and annual costs of at least \$600,000, but total potential costs are unknown. State government entities estimate additional biennial revenues of \$193,000. Local government entities estimate no additional revenues and estimate cost savings of an unknown amount.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 8-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of December 28, 2017, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas, version 2 (18-314). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities estimate no additional revenues, but estimate annual cost savings of over \$100,000. Local government entities estimate no additional revenues and estimate cost savings of an unknown amount.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


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OPINION LETTER NO. 9-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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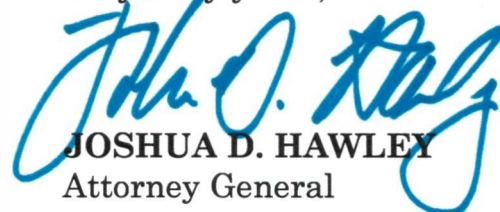
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of December 28, 2017, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas (18-315). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local government entities estimate no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 10-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of December 28, 2017, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas, version 3 (18-316). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local government entities estimate no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A blue ink signature of Joshua D. Hawley, written in a cursive style, is placed over the typed name and title.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 11-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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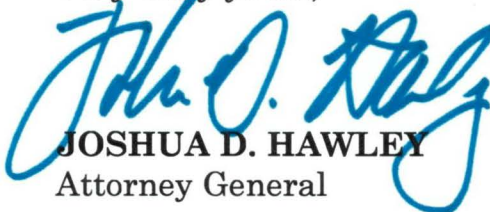
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 2, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas, version 1 (18-317). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State court officials estimate cost savings of approximately \$8,000 annually, increased training costs ranging from approximately \$29,000 to \$55,000 annually, and unknown annual costs related to judicial vacancies. Local governments estimate no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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OPINION LETTER NO. 12-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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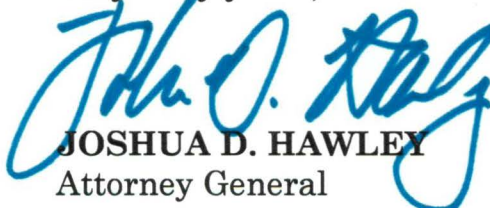
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 2, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas, version 2 (18-318). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State court officials estimate cost savings of approximately \$8,000 annually, increased training costs ranging from approximately \$29,000 to \$55,000 annually, and unknown annual costs related to judicial vacancies. Local governments estimate no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


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January 12, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 13-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 3, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown (2018-330).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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OPINION LETTER NO. 14-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 5, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2018-313). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that:

- employees shall have the freedom to get and keep their jobs without being forced to pay any fees to a union (labor organization) or join a union;
- public employee unions cannot deduct dues from paychecks or make political contributions without annual permission;
- public employee unions must file financial reports that will be public records and follow certain procedures;

- laws and ordinances cannot require certain wage rates (a prevailing wage) for maintenance or construction of public facilities; and
- it is a crime to purposely violate the provisions of this amendment?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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OPINION LETTER NO. 15-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

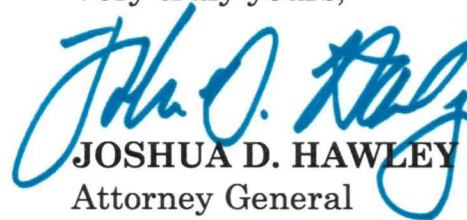
This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 5, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2018-314). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that:

- employees shall have the freedom to get and keep their jobs without being forced to pay any fees to a union (labor organization) or join a union;
- laws and ordinances cannot require certain wage rates (a prevailing wage) for maintenance or construction of public facilities; and
- it is a crime to purposely violate the provisions of this amendment?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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January 12, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 16-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 5, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VI of the Missouri Constitution (2018-315). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that municipalities and their officials shall cooperate and comply with requests from United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officials to detain, maintain custody of, or transfer any alien to ICE?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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January 12, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 17-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 5, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2018-316). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to require that certain historic memorials of any age on public property, such as statues, names of schools, streets, bridges and buildings named or dedicated in honor of any historic conflict, entity, event, or figure, may not be removed, renamed, or otherwise changed in certain ways unless provided by law?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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January 18, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 18-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 8, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2018-331).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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January 18, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 19-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101


Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 8, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs, version 1 (18-322). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities estimate increased revenue of
\$286 million annually and one-time costs of \$79,000.
Local governments estimate no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


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OPINION LETTER NO. 20-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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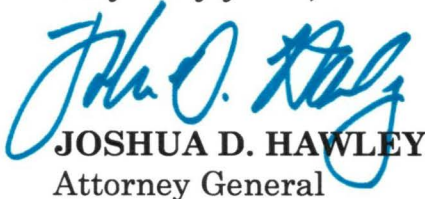
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 8, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs, version 2 (18-323). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities estimate increased revenue of
\$268 million annually and one-time costs of \$79,000.
Local governments estimate no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 21-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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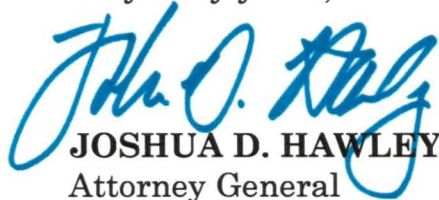
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 8, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs, version 1 (18-324). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

When fully implemented, the proposal is estimated to annually increase state revenue by \$293 million and local government revenue by \$128 million. State government entities expect initial setup costs of \$83,000 and increased annual costs of \$46,000. Local governments expect increased annual costs of at least \$61,000.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


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January 18, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 22-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
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Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 8, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs, version 2 (18-325). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

When fully implemented, the proposal is estimated to annually increase state revenue by \$366 million and local government revenue by \$160 million. State government entities expect initial setup costs of \$83,000 and increased annual costs of \$46,000. Local governments expect increased annual costs of at least \$76,000.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


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January 18, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 23-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
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Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 8, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs, version 3 (18-326). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

When fully implemented, the proposal is estimated to annually increase state revenue by \$77 million and local government revenue by \$34 million. State government entities expect initial setup costs of \$83,000 and increased annual costs of \$46,000. Local governments expect increased annual costs of at least \$11,000.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


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January 18, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 24-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 8, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs, version 1 (18-327). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities estimate increased revenue of
\$286 million annually and one-time costs of \$79,000.
Local governments estimate no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


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OPINION LETTER NO. 25-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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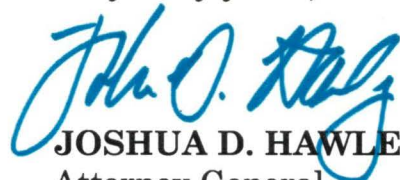
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 8, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs, version 2 (18-328). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities estimate increased revenue of
\$268 million annually and one-time costs of \$79,000.
Local governments estimate no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


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January 19, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 26-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 9, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article V of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2018-317). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that:

- supreme court and court of appeals (appellate court) judges shall be elected in nonpartisan elections, but can declare their support for a political party and be endorsed by a political party;
- the term of an appellate court judge shall be reduced from 12 years to 6 years;
- no appellate court judge can be elected to a particular judicial seat for more than two consecutive terms;

- the governor fills appellate court vacancies without recommendations from the appellate judicial commission; and
- all judicial candidates can receive and make campaign contributions?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


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January 19, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 27-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 9, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article V of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2018-318). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that:

- supreme court and court of appeals (appellate court) judges shall be elected in partisan elections;
- the term of an appellate court judge shall be reduced from 12 years to 6 years;
- no appellate court judge can be elected to a particular judicial seat for more than two consecutive terms;

- the governor fills appellate court vacancies without recommendations from the appellate judicial commission; and
- all judicial candidates can receive and make campaign contributions?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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January 19, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 28-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101


Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 10, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Steven Reed (2018-332).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,


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January 19, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 29-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 10, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2018-333).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.


Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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January 19, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 30-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101


Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 10, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article IV, Section 48 of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Steven Reed (2018-334).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,


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January 19, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 31-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 11, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2018-335).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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January 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 32-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 16, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article V of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Steven Reed (2018-336).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Joshua D. Hawley", is positioned above the printed name of the Attorney General.

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January 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 33-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 17, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares, version 1 (2018-337).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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OPINION LETTER NO. 34-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 17, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares, version 2 (2018-338).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

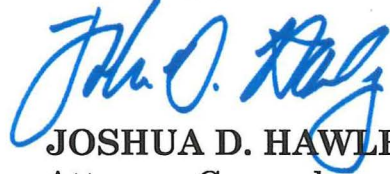
Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

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January 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 35-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 17, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares, version 3 (2018-339).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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OPINION LETTER NO. 36-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 17, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares, version 4 (2018-340).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Very truly yours,



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OPINION LETTER NO. 37-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 17, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares, version 5 (2018-341).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

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January 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 38-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 17, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares, version 6 (2018-342).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

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January 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 39-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 18, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Terry Briggs regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2018-322). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

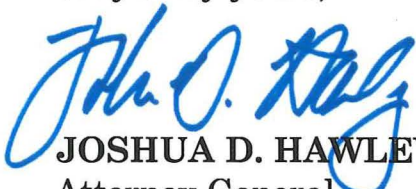
Do you want to amend the Missouri constitution to:

- enact a state sales tax of four-tenths of one percent;
- use revenues from this state sales tax to fund the state highway patrol's enforcement of state motor vehicle and traffic laws, provide for the families of law enforcement officers killed or disabled in the line of duty, and provide grants to local law enforcement agencies for equipment and training; and

- require the state auditor to annually audit the funds raised and expended by this state sales tax and certain state highway funds?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


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January 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 40-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 18, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Terry Briggs regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2018-323). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri constitution to:

- enact a state sales tax of three-eighths of one percent;
- use revenues from this state sales tax to fund the state highway patrol's enforcement of state motor vehicle and traffic laws, provide for the families of law enforcement officers killed or disabled in the line of duty, and provide grants to local law enforcement agencies for equipment and training; and

- require the state auditor to annually audit the funds raised and expended by this state sales tax and certain state highway funds?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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January 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 41-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

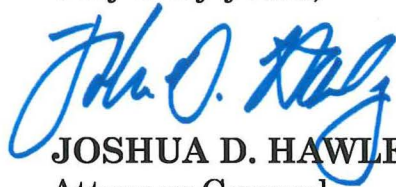
This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 18, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Terry Briggs regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 142, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 1 (2018-324). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- increase the current 17 cents per gallon state motor fuel tax by two cents per gallon each year beginning on January 1, 2019, so that in 2023 the tax will be 27 cents per gallon;
- require that all motor vehicle fuel tax revenues are used only for constructing and maintaining an adequate system of connected state highways; and
- require the state auditor to annually audit the state motor vehicle fuel tax revenues to ensure they are being used properly?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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January 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 42-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 18, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Terry Briggs regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 142, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 2 (2018-325). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- increase the current 17 cents per gallon state motor fuel tax by two and one-half cents per gallon each year beginning on January 1, 2019, so that in 2023 the tax will be 29 and one-half cents per gallon;
- require that all motor vehicle fuel tax revenues are used only for constructing and maintaining an adequate system of connected state highways; and

- require the state auditor to annually audit the state motor vehicle fuel tax revenues to ensure they are being used properly?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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OPINION LETTER NO. 43-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

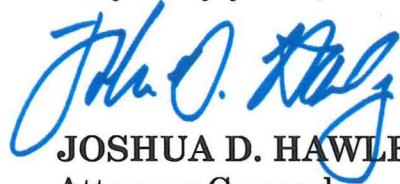
This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 18, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Terry Briggs regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 142, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 3 (2018-326). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- increase the current 17 cents per gallon state motor fuel tax on diesel fuel by two cents per gallon each year beginning January 1, 2019, so that in 2023 the tax will be 27 cents per gallon;
- require that all motor vehicle fuel tax revenues are used only for constructing and maintaining an adequate system of connected state highways; and
- require the state auditor to annually audit the state motor vehicle fuel tax revenues to ensure they are being used properly?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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OPINION LETTER NO. 44-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 18, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Terry Briggs regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2018-327). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri constitution to:

- enact a state sales tax of four-tenths of one percent;
- use revenues from this state sales tax to fund the state highway patrol's enforcement of state motor vehicle and traffic laws, provide for the families of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty, and provide grants to local law enforcement agencies for equipment and training; and

- require the state auditor to annually audit the funds raised and expended by this state sales tax and certain state highway funds?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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January 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 45-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 18, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Terry Briggs regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2018-328). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

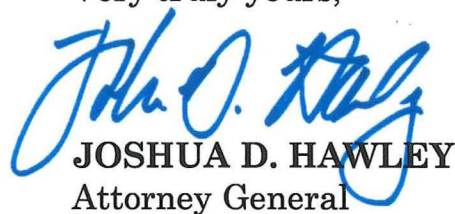
Do you want to amend the Missouri constitution to:

- enact a state sales tax of three-eighths of one percent;
- use revenues from this state sales tax to fund the state highway patrol's enforcement of state motor vehicle and traffic laws, provide for the families of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty, and provide grants to local law enforcement agencies for equipment and training; and

- require the state auditor to annually audit the funds raised and expended by this state sales tax and certain state highway funds?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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January 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 46-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 19, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2018-343).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.


Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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January 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 47-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 19, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2018-344).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Very truly yours,

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January 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 48-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 19, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2018-345).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Very truly yours,

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OPINION LETTER NO. 49-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 19, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2018-346).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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OPINION LETTER NO. 50-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 22, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown (2018-347).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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February 9, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 51-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
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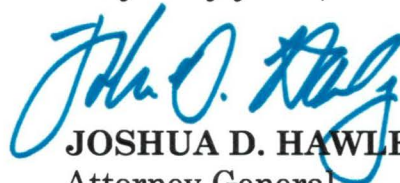
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 30, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (18-332). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local governmental entities estimate no costs
or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 9, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 52-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101


Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 30, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (18-334). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities could incur additional costs,
but the amount is unknown. Local governmental entities
estimate no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 9, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 53-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 1, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares, version 1 (2018-348).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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February 9, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 54-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 1, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares, version 2 (2018-349).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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February 9, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 55-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 1, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Andrew Linhares, version 3 (2018-350).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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February 15, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 56-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101


Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of February 5, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (18-336). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local governmental entities estimate no costs
or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 16, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 57-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
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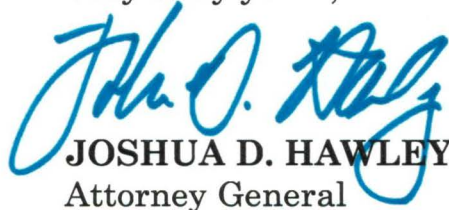
Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 7, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Steven Reed regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution (2018-332). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to allow Missourians to petition at the public entrances of all state funded operations that are open to the public?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 16, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 58-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 7, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Steven Reed regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article IV, Section 48 of the Missouri Constitution (2018-334). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

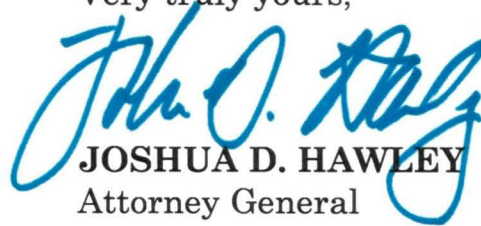
Do you want to amend the Missouri constitution to:

- prohibit operating a motor vehicle while using a handheld wireless communications device to participate in a phone call, send, read, or write a text message or other electronic message, unless the device is equipped with and being used via hands-free technology;
- prohibit operating a commercial motor vehicle while using a handheld mobile phone or using a wireless communications device to send, read, or write a text message or other electronic message; and

- provide the above prohibitions would not apply to authorized emergency vehicles?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 16, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 59-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 9, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by James Owen, version 1 (2018-351).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

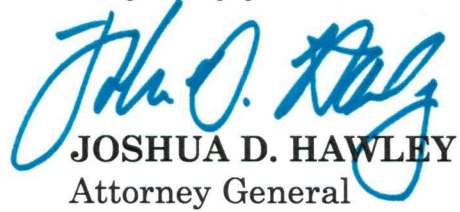
Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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February 16, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 60-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 9, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by James Owen, version 2 (2018-352).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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February 16, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 61-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 9, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by James Owen, version 3 (2018-353).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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February 23, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 62-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 14, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Steven Reed regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article V of the Missouri Constitution (2018-336). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri constitution to allow a certified paralegal or legal assistant certified by an accredited college or university who works alongside an attorney for three years to be eligible to take a bar examination, and if the paralegal or legal assistant passes the examination, allow that person to practice law and give legal advice in Missouri, without attending law school?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 63-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 16, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Matthew Patterson, version 1 (2018-354).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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OPINION LETTER NO. 64-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 16, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Matthew Patterson, version 2 (2018-355).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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February 23, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 65-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 16, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Matthew Patterson, version 3 (2018-356).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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February 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 66-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

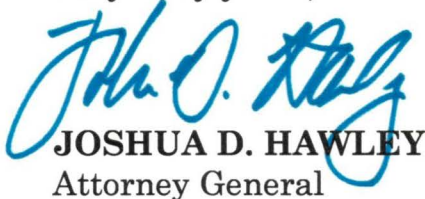
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of February 21, 2018, submitting a revised fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs, version 1 (18-327). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities estimate increased revenue of
\$333 million annually and one-time costs of \$79,000.
Local governments estimate no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


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February 26, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 67-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101


Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of February 21, 2018, submitting a revised fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Terry Briggs, version 2 (18-328). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities estimate increased revenue of
\$312 million annually and one-time costs of \$79,000.
Local governments estimate no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


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OP-2018-0058



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March 9, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 68-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 28, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2018-357).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

OP-2018-0059

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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March 9, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 69-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 1, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2018-358).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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March 9, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 70-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 6, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by James Owen, version 2 (2018-359).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,


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OP-2018-0061



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March 9, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 71-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101


Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 6, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by James Owen, version 3 (2018-360).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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March 9, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 72-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 7, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by James Owen (2018-361).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,


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March 22, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 73-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 12, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown (2018-362).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

OP-2018-0064

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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March 22, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 74-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 12, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Ted Melton (2018-363).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

OP-2018-0065

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

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March 22, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 75-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 13, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown (2018-364).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

OP-2018-0066

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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March 22, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 76-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 13, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown (2018-365).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

OP-2018-0067

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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March 22, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 77-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 15, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown (2018-366).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

OP-2018-0068

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Very truly yours,



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March 22, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 78-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 15, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2018-367).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

OP-2018-0069

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Very truly yours,



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March 22, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 79-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 15, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2018-368).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

OP-2018-0070

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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March 30, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 80-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 23, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Brian Hagg (2018-369).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

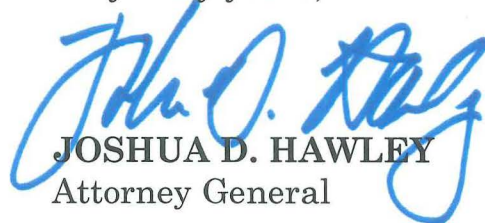
Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

OP-2018-0071

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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March 30, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 81-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 23, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Brian Hagg (2018-370).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

OP-2018-0072

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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Attorney General



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March 30, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 82-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of March 26, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by James Owens (18-359). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate additional known costs of approximately \$170,000 annually. State and local governmental entities anticipate possible increased costs of electricity, but the amount is unknown.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A blue ink signature of Joshua D. Hawley is written over the typed name. The signature is stylized and cursive.

JOSHUA D. HAWLEY
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OP-2018-0073



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March 30, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 083-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of March 26, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by James Owen (18-360). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate additional known costs of approximately \$170,000 annually. State and local governmental entities anticipate possible increased costs of electricity, but the amount is unknown.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A blue ink signature of Joshua D. Hawley is written over the typed name and title.
JOSHUA D. HAWLEY
Attorney General

OP-2018-0074



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April 3, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 084-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of March 27, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by James Owen (18-361). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities estimate known costs of approximately \$170,000 annually. State and local governmental entities anticipate possible increased costs of electricity, but the amount is unknown.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A blue ink signature of Joshua D. Hawley is written over the typed name. The signature is stylized and cursive.

JOSHUA D. HAWLEY
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OP-2018-0075



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April 3, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 085-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 27, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Charnita Walker (2018-371).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

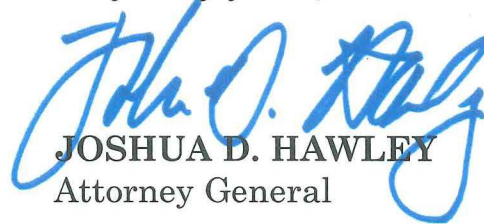
1. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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April 6, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 086-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 29, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by James Owen regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 2 (2018-359). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:
--increase the requirement that certain electric utilities generate or purchase electricity from renewable energy sources from the current 10% of retail sales and 15% by 2021, to 20% by 2020, with incremental increase to at least 40% by 2035;
--allow this requirement to be met using energy savings due to energy efficiency or consumer demand modifications; and
--remove the ability of the electric utilities to meet this requirement by using renewable energy credits unless the credits are associated with electricity sold to Missouri customers?

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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April 6, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 087-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

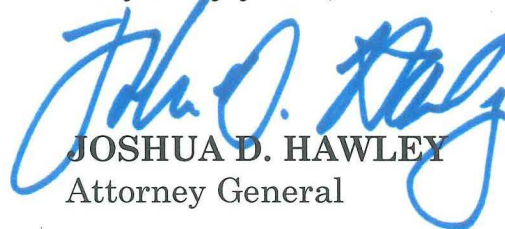
This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 29, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by James Owen regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 3 (2018-360). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:
--increase the requirement that certain electric utilities generate or purchase electricity from renewable energy sources from the current 10% of retail sales and 15% by 2021, to 20% by 2020, with incremental increase to at least 50% by 2035;
--allow this requirement to be met using energy savings due to energy efficiency or consumer demand modifications; and
--remove the ability of the electric utilities to meet this requirement by using renewable energy credits unless the credits are associated with electricity sold to Missouri customers?

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Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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April 6, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 088-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 29, 2018, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by James Owen regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-361). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:
--increase the requirement that certain electric utilities generate or purchase electricity from renewable energy sources from the current 10% of retail sales and 15% by 2021, to 15% by 2020, with incremental increase to at least 30% by 2035;
--allow this requirement to be met using energy savings due to energy efficiency or consumer demand modifications; and
--remove the ability of the electric utilities to meet this requirement by using renewable energy credits unless the credits are associated with electricity sold to Missouri customers?

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Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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June 1, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 089_2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated May 22, 2018, for our review under § 116.025, RSMo, of a proposed fair ballot language statement for the initiative petition submitted by Lowell Peterson, relating to an amendment to Chapters 192, 263, and 311, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-271). The proposed fair ballot language statement is as follows:

A "yes" vote will amend Missouri statutes to allow the use of marijuana for medical purposes under state laws. This amendment does not change federal law, which makes marijuana possession, sale and cultivation a federal offense. This amendment creates regulations and licensing procedures for medical marijuana and medical marijuana facilities—dispensary, cultivation and production, and testing facilities. This amendment creates licensing fees for such facilities. This amendment will impose a 2 percent tax on the retail sale of marijuana for medical purposes by dispensary facilities. The funds from the license fees will go to the Division of Liquor Control to administer the program to license/certify and regulate marijuana and marijuana facilities. The

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funds from the tax will be used for veterans' services, drug treatment, early childhood education, and for public safety in cities with a medical marijuana facility.

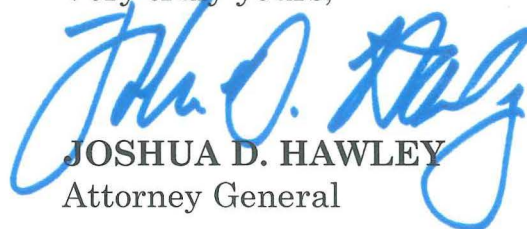
A "no" vote will not amend Missouri statutes as to the use of marijuana.

If passed, this measure will impose a 2% retail sales tax on marijuana for medical purposes.

Pursuant to § 116.025, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language statement.

Because our review of the fair ballot language statement is mandated by statute, no action we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 090_2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated May 22, 2018, for our review under § 116.025, RSMo, of a proposed fair ballot language statement for the initiative petition submitted by Richard Von Glahn, version 9, relating to an amendment to Chapter 290, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2018-204). The proposed fair ballot language statement is as follows:

A "yes" vote will amend Missouri statutes to increase the state minimum wage rate as follows:

\$8.60 per hour beginning January 1, 2019;
\$9.45 per hour beginning January 1, 2020;
\$10.30 per hour beginning January 1, 2021;
\$11.15 per hour beginning January 1, 2022; and
\$12.00 per hour beginning January 1, 2023.

The amendment will exempt government employers from the above increases, and will increase the penalty for paying employees less than the minimum wage.

A "no" vote will not amend Missouri law to make

these changes to the state minimum wage law.

If passed, this measure will have no impact on taxes.

Pursuant to § 116.025, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language statement.

Because our review of the fair ballot language statement is mandated by statute, no action we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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OPINION LETTER NO. 091_2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated May 22, 2018, for our review under § 116.025, RSMo, of a proposed fair ballot language statement for the initiative petition submitted by Sheila Dundon, version 1, relating to an amendment to Article XVI of the Missouri Constitution (2018-051). The proposed fair ballot language statement is as follows:

A "yes" vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to allow the use of marijuana for medical purposes under state laws. This amendment does not change federal law, which makes marijuana possession, sale and cultivation a federal offense. This amendment creates regulations and licensing procedures for medical marijuana and medical marijuana facilities – dispensary, cultivation, testing and marijuana-infused product manufacturing facilities. This amendment creates licensing fees for such facilities. This amendment will impose a 4 percent tax on the retail sale of marijuana for medical purposes by dispensary facilities. The funds from the license fees and tax will be used by the Missouri Veterans Commission for health and care services for military

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veterans, and by the Department of Health and Senior Services to administer the program to license/certify and regulate marijuana and marijuana facilities.

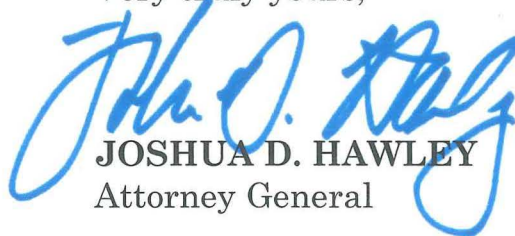
A "**no**" vote will not amend the Missouri Constitution as to the use of marijuana.

If passed, this measure will impose a 4 percent retail sales tax on marijuana for medical purposes.

Pursuant to § 116.025, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language statement.

Because our review of the fair ballot language statement is mandated by statute, no action we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 092_2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated May 22, 2018, for our review under § 116.025, RSMo, of a proposed fair ballot language statement for the initiative petition submitted by Sean Soendker, relating to an amendment to Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2018-051). The proposed fair ballot language statement is as follows:

A "yes" vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to change the process and criteria for redrawing state legislative district boundaries during reapportionment (redistricting). Currently, bipartisan house and senate commissions redraw boundaries and those maps are adopted if 70% of the commissioners approve the maps. This amendment has a state demographer chosen from a panel selected by the state auditor redraw the boundaries and submit those maps to the house and senate commissions. This amendment would then allow changes to the demographer's maps only if 70% of the commissioners vote to make changes and do so within two months after receiving the maps from the state demographer. The amendment also reduces the

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limits on campaign contributions that candidates for state senator or state representative can accept from individuals or entities by \$100 per election for a senate candidate and \$500 for a house candidate. The amendment creates a \$5 limit on gifts that state legislators and their employees can accept from paid lobbyists or the lobbyists' clients, and prohibits state legislators and their employees from serving as paid lobbyists for a period of two years after the end of their last legislative session. The amendment prohibits political fundraising by candidates for or members of the state legislature on State property. The amendment further requires all legislative records and proceedings to be subject to the state open meetings and records law (Missouri Sunshine Law).

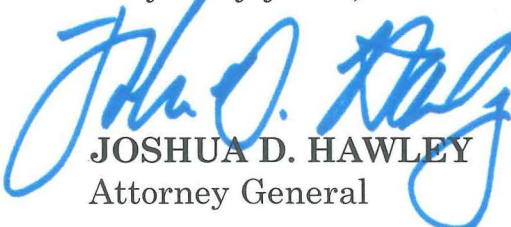
A "no" vote will not amend the Missouri Constitution regarding redistricting, campaign contributions, lobbyist gifts, limits on lobbying after political service, fundraising locations, and legislative records and proceedings.

If passed, this measure will have no impact on taxes.

Pursuant to § 116.025, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language statement.

Because our review of the fair ballot language statement is mandated by statute, no action we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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June 1, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 093_2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated May 22, 2018, for our review under § 116.025, RSMo, of a proposed fair ballot language statement for the initiative petition submitted by Bradley Bradshaw, relating to an amendment to Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution (2018-041). The proposed fair ballot language statement is as follows:

A "yes" vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to allow the use of marijuana for medical purposes under state laws. This amendment does not change federal law, which makes marijuana possession, sale and cultivation a federal offense. This amendment makes Brad Bradshaw (the contact person on this initiative petition) the research chairperson of a newly created research institute that is funded by fees and taxes on medical marijuana. Brad Bradshaw will select the members of the board that will govern the research institute, which will issue regulations and licensing procedures for medical marijuana and medical marijuana facilities - dispensary, cultivation, and marijuana-infused product manufacturing facilities. This amendment creates licensing fees for

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such facilities. The amendment imposes a 15 percent tax on the retail sale of marijuana for medical purposes by dispensary facilities and a tax on the wholesale sale of marijuana flowers and leaves by cultivation facilities. The funds generated by the license fees and taxes will be used by the research institute for licensing and regulating marijuana and marijuana facilities, land acquisition and development, and conducting research with the purpose of developing cures and treatments for cancer and other incurable diseases.

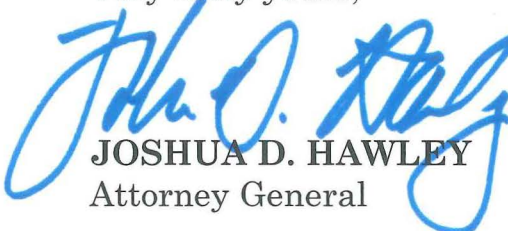
A "no" vote will not amend the Missouri Constitution as to the use of marijuana.

If passed, this measure will impose an 15 percent retail sales tax on marijuana for medical uses and a wholesale sales tax on marijuana sold by medical marijuana cultivation facilities.

Pursuant to § 116.025, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language statement.

Because our review of the fair ballot language statement is mandated by statute, no action we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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June 25, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 094_2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 15, 2018, for our review under § 116.025, RSMo, of a proposed fair ballot language statement for Senate Substitute No. 2 for House Bill No. 1460. The proposed fair ballot language statement is as follows:

A "yes" vote will amend Missouri statutes to fund the Missouri State Highway Patrol's enforcement and administration of motor vehicle laws and traffic regulations. The source of the funding will be revenue from an increased state tax on motor fuel (including gasoline, diesel fuel, kerosene, and blended fuel). The current state motor fuel tax rate is seventeen (17) cents per gallon. The amendment will increase the rate as follows:

Nineteen and one-half (19.5) cents per gallon
beginning July 1, 2019;

Twenty-two (22) cents per gallon beginning July 1,
2020;

Twenty-four and one-half (24.5) cents per gallon

beginning July 1, 2021;

Twenty-seven (27) cents per gallon beginning July 1, 2022.

The amendment will also increase the tax on alternative fuels used for motor vehicles (including compressed natural gas, liquid natural gas, and propane gas). The amendment will increase the rate from seventeen (17) cents to twenty-seven (27) cents per unit equivalent to a gallon of gasoline or diesel beginning January 1, 2026.

The amendment will require the state auditor to audit the state's use of the revenue generated by these taxes every two years.

Additionally, the amendment will allow a state income tax deduction for the value of any prize or award won in the Olympics, Paralympics, or Special Olympics; and it will create an "Emergency State Freight Bottleneck Fund," which will be dedicated to financing road improvement projects in the state.

A "no" vote will not amend Missouri statutes to increase the motor fuel tax, exempt certain prizes from state taxes or establish the Emergency State Freight Bottleneck Fund.

If passed, this measure will increase taxes on motor fuel.

Pursuant to §116.025, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language statement.

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Because our review of the fair ballot language statement is mandated by statute, no action we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the joint resolution, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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June 25, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 095_2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 15, 2018, for our review under § 116.025, RSMo, of a proposed fair ballot language statement for House Joint Resolution No. 59. The proposed fair ballot language statement is as follows:

A "yes" vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to remove language limiting bingo game advertising that a court ruled was unconstitutional and not enforceable. This amendment would also allow a member of a licensed organization conducting bingo games to participate in the management of bingo games after being a member of the organization for six months. Currently, the constitution requires two years of membership.

A "no" vote will not amend the Missouri Constitution regarding bingo games.

If passed, this measure will have no impact on taxes.

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Pursuant to §116.025, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language statement.

Because our review of the fair ballot language statement is mandated by statute, no action we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the joint resolution, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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June 25, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 0096_2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 15, 2018, for our review under § 116.160, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement for House Joint Resolution No. 59. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri constitution to:

- remove language limiting bingo game advertising that a court ruled unenforceable; and
- allow a member of a licensed organization conducting bingo games to participate in the management of bingo games after being a member of the organization for six months instead of the current two years?

Pursuant to §116.116, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed summary statement.

Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of

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the joint resolution, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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June 25, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 097_2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101


Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of June 21, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for House Joint Summary No. 59. The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local governmental entities estimate no cost or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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November 21, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 098_2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 13, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson (2020-001).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

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November 21, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 099_2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 13, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson (2020-002).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

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November 29, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 100-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 19, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson, (2020-004).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

Very truly yours,

A blue ink signature of Joshua D. Hawley, written in a cursive style.

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November 29, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 101-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 19, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown, (2020-005).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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November 29, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 102-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 20, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson, (2020-006).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

Very truly yours,


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November 29, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 103-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 26, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Carlton McRoberts, (2020-007).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

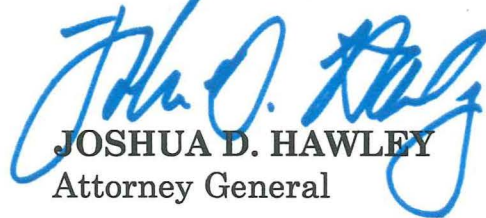
Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

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December 13, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 104-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:


This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 3, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson, (2020-008).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

Very truly yours,


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December 13, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 105-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

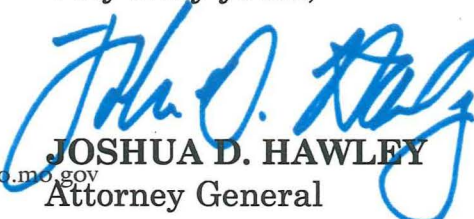
This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 3, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson, (2020-009).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

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December 14, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 106-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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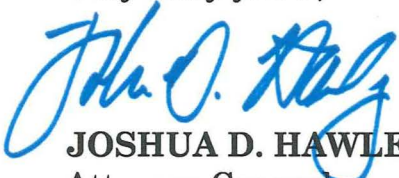
Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 4, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Damien Johnson, (2020-011).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,


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December 17, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 107-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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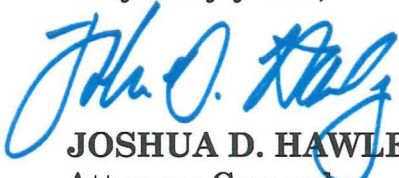
Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 7, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article I, Version I of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Michael Louis, (2020-012).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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December 17, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 108-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 7, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article I, Version 2, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Michael Louis, (2020-013).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 109-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 7, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article I, Version 3, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Michael Louis, (2020-014).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 110-2018

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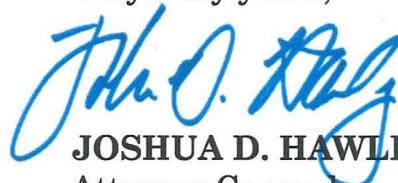
Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 7, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article I, Version 4, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Michael Louis, (2020-015).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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December 21, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 111-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 11, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown, (2020-016).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050.2(1), RSMo.
3. The petition does not "otherwise conform to the provisions of . . . article III, section 50 of the constitution" as required pursuant to § 116.050.2(3), RSMo.

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Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,



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December 27, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 112-2018

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 17, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple, (2020-018).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

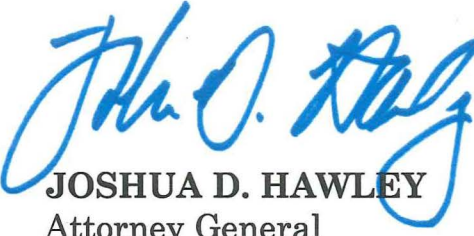
1. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050.2(1), RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

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December 31, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 113-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

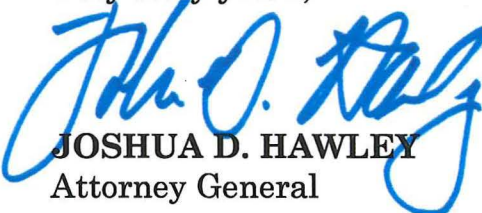
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of December 21, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Michael Louis, (20-012). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local government entities expect no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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December 31, 2018

OPINION LETTER NO. 114-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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Jefferson City, MO 65101


Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of December 21, 2018, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Michael Louis, (20-013). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local government entities expect no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 115-2018

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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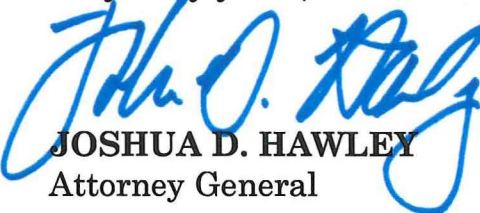
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Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 116-2018

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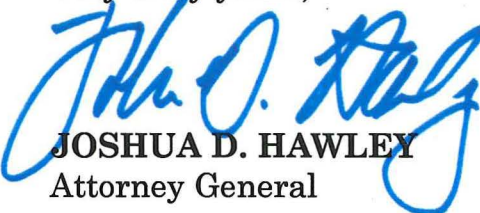
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State and local government entities expect no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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